

**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A clothes hamper includes a container having a bottom wall and a  
5 peripheral wall that is attached to and extends upwardly from the bottom  
wall. The peripheral wall has an upper edge defining an opening  
extending into the container. A plurality of guides is attached to an inner  
surface of the peripheral wall. Each of the guides is vertically orientated.  
A panel is positioned in the container. The panel has a top side, a bottom  
10 side and a peripheral edge. The panel is mounted on the plurality of  
guides such that the panel may be selectively moved between the bottom  
wall and the upper edge. At least one biasing member is mounted in the  
container for biasing the panel away from the bottom wall. The panel  
moves downwardly as additional clothes are positioned on the panel and  
15 the panel moves upwardly as clothes are removed from the panel.